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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
SURESH JEYACHANDRAN, ET AL. ) Examiner: K. Poon  
Application No.: 08/988,959 ) Group Art Unit: 2724  
Filed: December 11, 1997 )  
For: A RESPONSE APPARATUS ) January 13, 2000  
FOR SENDING A RESPONSE )  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH A )  
STATE, AND A METHOD )  
THEREFOR )

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

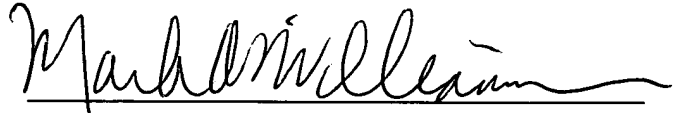
Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the final Office Action dated July 13, 1999, for three (3) months from October 13, 1999 to January 13, 2000.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$870.00 to cover the additional fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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